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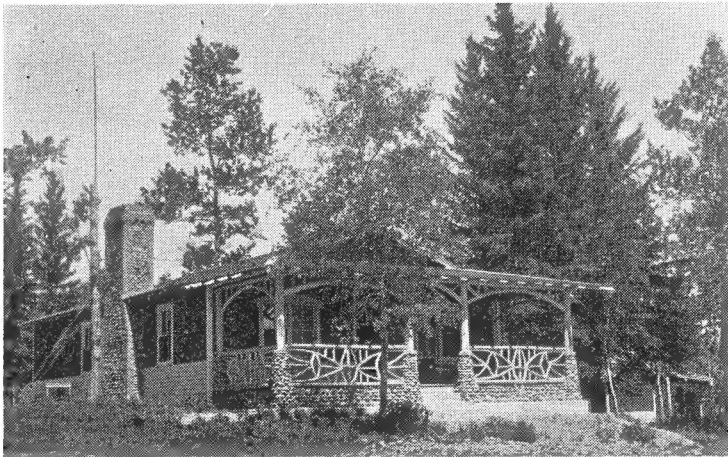
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HERE is an inexplicable charm about a fresh, inland lake surrounded by large hills and towering trees that almost defies description. Then, too, there is a certain fascination in watching the cloud formations, the rapid change of colors on waters; in following the twists and bends of the shore, whether the sightseer is on foot or in a boat.

There is a pleasure undescrivable when fishing for wily inland trout: Loch Leven, rainbow and Dolly Varden. And swimming, boating or paddling in clear, sparkling, invigorating water is a wealth of enjoyment in itself. What could be nicer than



Ranger's Quarters, Cypress Hills

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to sit back at the end of a glorified day in peace and contentment, and savour a well-cooked outdoor meal? What could be more satisfying than to lounge about in a haven surrounded by novel cabins?

Isn't this an ideal setting for a vacation?





At Cypress Hills Provincial Park, located twenty miles southeast of the town of Maple Creek on No. 1 highway, three miles off highway No. 21, the holidayer will find this and much more. There is an inland lake cradled high in the hills, far away from the noise and dust of civilization, from the grime and unhealthfulness of congested cities and towns, yet reached over a splendid highway that makes a journey to Cypress Hills all the more enchanting.

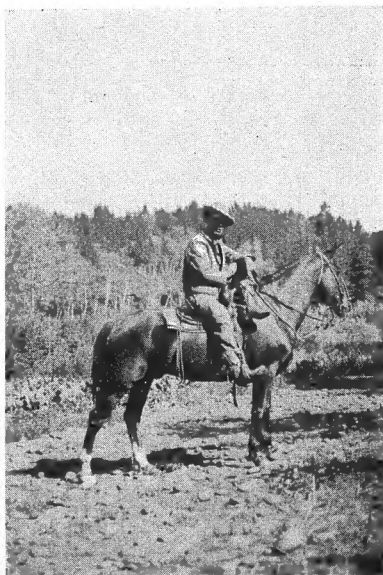
This park is approximately forty-five miles north of the United States boundary; and almost thirty miles east of the Province of Alberta.



Lake Scene, Cypress Hills

From the United States you may cross the boundary at Willow Creek north of Havre, Montana, and follow Highway No. 48 to No. 13, then north on No. 21; or you may cross the boundary at Treelon north of Harlen following Highway No. 37 to Climax and then east on No. 46.

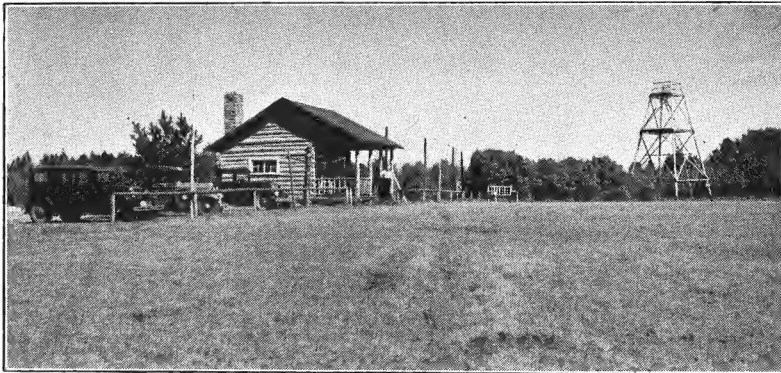
In the spaciousness and seclusion of Cypress Hills there are those elements necessary for rest and recreation. High altitudes, higher than Banff, Alberta, and listed as 4,000 feet above sea level, give the surroundings a touch of mountain atmosphere, and the long cool nights are famed as a drowsy influence to the most restless sleeper.



Guide and Saddle Horse

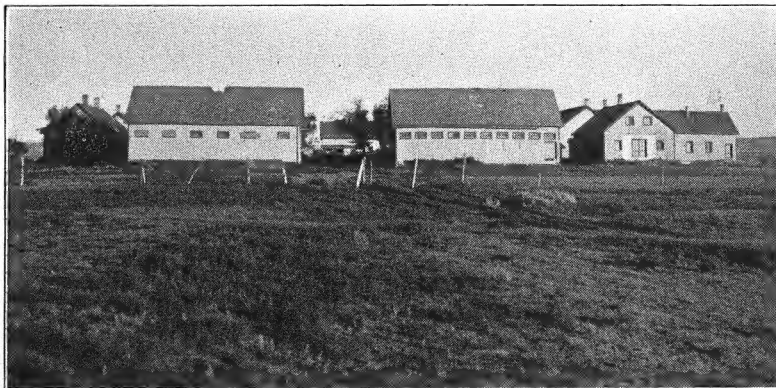
SET in a fringe of green spruce, lodge pole pine, poplar and white birch, there is something enthralling about the sylvan lakes which nestle there. One witnesses those characteristics which inspired the names of Loch Leven and Loch Lomond and suggest the rugged nature of the Highlands.

The Cypress Hills rise from a flat, bald prairie some 1,500 feet above the level of Maple Creek. The park is located within a provincial forest area of stately pine, spruce and aspen. A variety of accommodation is available for those seeking weekend or long term holidays.



Golf Clubhouse and Fire Look-out

The main lodge has sixteen bedrooms, and fits well into the surroundings of rolling hills and great towering trees; it is up-to-date in every respect. It is a pleasant, rambling structure from which the guest is offered an amazing panorama of lake vistas and hills. Nine individual cabins, surrounded by innumerable



Old R.C.M.P. Barracks, Maple Creek

stands of timber, are located about the lodge. The bedrooms are attractive and meticulously clean; the beds are soft and appealing to those who have spent many hours in the vast outdoors.



BUNGALOW camp has been erected for additional accommodation of the public, with spacious camping grounds and clear fresh water on hand for drinking and cooking purposes. Two camp sites, kitchen facilities and running water from rippling springs in the upland heights are available. Fuel and water are supplied; two filling stations cater to the needs of the motorist.

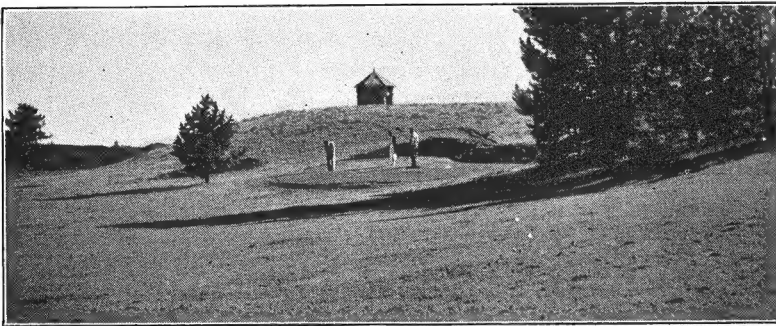
Trout fishing, as mentioned, in the streams and lakes of the west section of the forest reserve is worthy of an effort for those desiring something a little different from the ordinary thrills of rod and line.

Hiking and hill climbing, and pack saddle excursions offer a diversification of entertainment not to be found in most of the holiday centers.

Those seeking additional sporting recreation may participate in golf on a nine-hole course hewn out of rough timberland, with turf fairways bordering along the valleys and timberline. Sand greens are kept in perfect condition and are rated with the finest to be found in Saskatchewan. The whole course offers a variation in the way of hazards to those who have become accustomed to playing on flat prairies.



Government Cabin



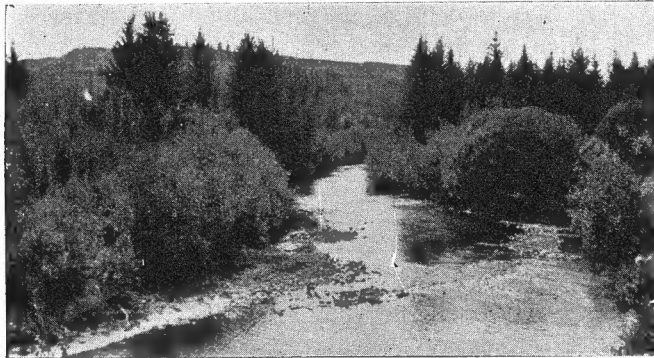
The Fifth Green, Cypress Hills Golf Course

Tennis courts, a dancing pavilion and numerous riding horses are added enticements to the vacationist while boating, swimming and fishing have long been favourite pastimes at this park.

Antelope and black-tailed deer browse around in increasing numbers. Thirty-six elk, imported from Alberta last spring, were

released in the park limits and can be seen grazing on the upland slopes. The prairie adjoining the park also abounds in numerous elk.

Beavers, which are plentiful in the forest reserve, come out to labour at their engineering projects in the evenings, damming the streams, creating lagoons and tiny rivulets, an incentive for even the spasmodic lover of nature to appreciate and enjoy. Other exotic charms permeate the surroundings.



Site of First Mounted Police Fort, Battle Creek

Government engineers, who planned some of the beauties of Cypress Hills, apparently took their cue from the beaver which have long since been masters of the flood at the Frenchman river. Two dams were erected: one on the Belanger Creek; the other on Lone Pine Creek. Out of these engineering projects came Loch Leven and Loch Lomond.



It is there that the old land traveller is reminded of the crags and gullies which stir the echoes of the Scottish lakes; set in a frame of evergreen, white poplar and birch, it well might echo to the sound of the hunter's horn as he signals his baying pack. Man has assisted nature in making an ideal spot for a summer vacation, a mountain solitude amid a prairie setting—Cypress Hills Provincial Park.

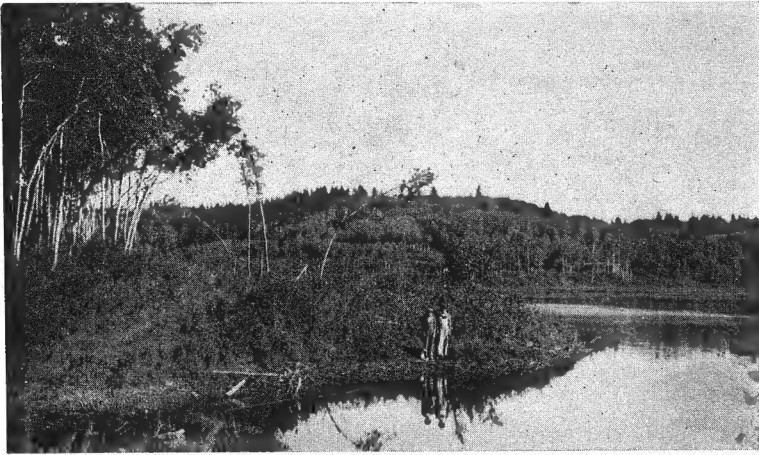
The southwest is rich in historic lore. Border raids were conducted by the Indians seventy-five years ago, and intertribal wars were fought within this vicinity. Numerous massacres occurred here until the arrival of the Mounted Police in 1873.

Throughout, the atmosphere of the Ol' West prevails. Tales of ancient Indian wars and forays give to the crags and ravines of this rugged, beautiful setting a peculiar interest—and the elevation which rivals that of Banff has produced a flora entirely distinct from that found on the prairies nearby.



Around Shaunavon, Eastend and Dollard in the southwest, remains of prehistoric monsters have been uncovered in recent years; several scientific research parties have already invaded the district. Remnants of a tricertops, a queer monster said to roam these areas several million years ago, were found last year near Eastend. At present, these are preserved in a modern little museum in that town. Several hundred other unusual specimens, nearly all of which have been discovered near this vicinity, add to the wonderment contained herein.

Hills of the finest clay in the world for pottery manufacture, and large deposits of lignite are scattered throughout several of the districts. There is a belief by hundreds of people in these parts that underneath rich deposits of salt, oil and gas may be found.



South Lake, Cypress Hills

High hills, scarred by deep ravines, trace back along a sparkling brook to its source in the steppes. It is there that the Loch Leven trout, placed in the waters by the fisheries branch, Department of Natural Resources, have established a home in the cold waters of the upland heights.

Fantastic crags and peculiar soil formations, created through years of soil erosion and drift, merge back to the west and are lost in the foothills of the Rockies.

One of the best hunting grounds in the old days, this now stands as a link with the red man and the buffalo. Relics of the ancient feud between the Crees, the Assiniboines and the Blackfoot Confederacy attest to the ingenuity of the red man in his ability to fashion flint and stone in his numerous devices.





CYPRESS Hills district is still a range country, and the chance wayfarer on the trail is likely to be a jingling cowboy cavalier with all the traditional accoutrements. The resoundings of spurs and the whoopings of cowhands is only now beginning to sink into oblivion.

The park is a playground resort for visitors from the United States as well as those from all parts of Canada. Continually, vacationists flock in from the adjoining states of North Dakota, Montana and Idaho; indeed, tourists motor in from almost every section of Canada and the United States.

Truly, Cypress Hills Provincial Park is a wonderland, incredible in its fascination when a person really takes time off to pay it a visit. A picturesque and lovely spot, it resembles in many ways the Ol' West, now so fast disappearing. With the exception of Fort Garry, in Manitoba, there is not another setting on the prairies



*Catch the Whoppers in
Cypress Hills Park*

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which possesses a story unsurpassed in its immense historic interest. Fort Walsh, twenty-four miles to the southeast, is worthy of a visit.

Cypress Hills Park is open to the public day and night. A rendezvous for vacationists in the southwestern corner of Saskatchewan, its known courtesy to visitors has extended far and wide.

There are six other Provincial Parks in this province—Duck Mountain, Good Spirit Lake, Greenwater Lake, Katepwa, Manitou and Moose Mountain. See other pamphlets for a description and location of each of these.

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